



2025-2026 Grant County High School FFA members pictured with special guest, Kristyn Bauer, the 2025-2026 FFA State Secretary.



2025-2026 Grant County High School FFA Officer Team - President Summer Meyer; Vice President Bree Rivinius; Secretary Shayli Rivinius; Treasurer Ryenn Mead; Reporter Emily Meier; Sentinel Kaylee Maier; Student Advisor Eva Petrick; and Historian Elizabeth Meier, pictured with Advisor Mr. Pete Hetle.



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TOP FRUIT SALES AWARD was presented to Kaylee Maier.



SPEAKER KRISTYN BAUER talked about making mistakes and having grace.



FFA MEMBERS enjoyed a delicious breakfast.



CANNONBALL FFU ALUMNI Chris Fischert talked about their role in the FFA.

Grant County FFA Brunch

The Grant County FFA held their 86th Annual banquet in the form of a brunch Friday, April 24. It was a time for members to celebrate success they have achieved throughout the year, recognize high achievers, listen to outside speakers and to recognize the newly elected officer team.

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CITY OF LEITH Council Proceedings

City of Leith Minutes
April 9, 2026
7:00 p.m.
Meeting called to order by Mayor Schock at 7:17 p.m.
Present: Mayor Ryan Schock, Michael Bencz, Josiah Schock and Kyle Billiot (via speaker phone)
Absent: None
Public present: Jackie Steinmetz.
Additions to agenda: Trees.

Moved by Bencz second by J. Schock to approve the regular council minutes for 9.25.25 all present aye motion carried.
Moved by J. Schock second by Bencz to approve the Financial Statement and Bill List from 9.24.25 to 3.30.26; all present aye motion carried.
Old Business:

None.
New Business:
Moved by Bencz second by J. Schock to approve the Financial Condition of the City of Leith published in the Grant County News in Feb 2026; all present aye motion carried.
Moved by Bencz second by J. Schock to approve the Agreement of performance of City Assessing Duties for 2026 for \$682.50; all present aye motion carried.
Moved by Bencz second by J. Schock to approve the Gaming Site Authorization for Six Shooters/New Salem American Legion Post 91 as presented all present aye motion carried.
Moved by Billiot second by J. Schock to table the decision/discussion regarding abandoned

1st street all present aye motion carried.
Moved by Bencz second J. Schock to approve the Joint Powers Agreement with Gr. Co; all present aye motion carried.
Gaming funds were discussed.
Moved by J. Schock second by Bencz to approve council man Billiot to proceed with the tree project with NDSU all present aye motion carried.
Discussion was held regarding the cleaning up of the ditches, Billiot has spoken to Commissioner Hochhalter, more information to come at a later date.
Moved by Bencz second by J. Schock to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. all present aye motion carried.
/s/Ryan Schock
Ryan Schock, Mayor
/s/Reva Weekes
Reva Weekes, Auditor
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CITY OF LEITH Council Proceedings

April 9, 2026
Meeting Minutes
Tax Equalization Meeting
City of Leith
Meeting was called to order on the 9th of April 2026 at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Ryan Schock.
In Attendance: Ryan Schock, Mike Bencz, Josiah Schock, Kyle Billiot, (Via speaker phone) Jackie Steinmetz, Reva Weekes.
Absent: None
Public: Terry Haberstroh
It was noted that the 2025 Tax Equalization meeting minutes were approved on 8.6.25.
Meeting turned over to

Tax Director/Assessor Jackie Steinmetz. Leith had zero Homestead Credits and 2 Veteran's Credit.
AG values and True & Full Value sheets were reviewed. Tolerance is at 93% for residential and 98.3% for commercial. AG values were reduced by 4.25% Moved by J. Schock second by Bencz to approve the previously mention data all present aye motion carried.
Council was reminded that property owners need to contact Jackie at the Tax Directors office to discuss questions on their parcels.
Discussion was held on

the 2 building permits for 2025. Only one of the permits have been completed. Moved by Bencz second by J. Schock to approve the following value increase of \$28,400 for Glenn Johnston Parcel# 63119700; all present aye motion carried.
Terry Haberstroh was present to ask what needs to be done to remove his name from a grain bin that he had sold so he is no longer taxed on the structure. Steinmetz informed him that a Bill of Sale must be signed and presented to the County.
Moved by Billiot second by Bencz to adjourn at 7:02 p.m., all present aye motion carried.
/s/Ryan Schock
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